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Re: Deposit Account Number 150030

Dear Sir or Madame:

Enclosed is a copy of a portion of our Deposit Account Statement of March 2007. Please review the highlighted charge on Serial Number 10/581,200, in the amount of \$50.00 on fee code number 1615.

This charge appears to be in error as Claim 16 is an Improper Multiple Dependent Claim as it refers back to Multiple Dependent Claim 15 and therefore, should only be counted as 1 Claim for fee determination purposes.

Please review this application and kindly refund \$50.00 to deposit account number 150030. Copies of the appropriate paperwork are attached. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Lohr at (703) 412-6472. Thank you for your assistance

Sincerely,

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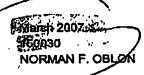
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(Claim 12)

A process for production of a low-caffeine green tea extract containing from 25 to 90 wt% of non-polymer catechins based on a dry weight of said extract, which comprises bringing a green tea extract, a 91/9 to 97/3 by weight mixture of an organic solvent and water, activated carbon, and acid clay or activated clay into contact with one another.

[Claim 13]

The process according to claim 12, wherein a pH is controlled to from 4 to 6 when said green tea extract is brought into contact with acid clay or activated clay.

[Claim 14]

The process according to claim 12 or 13, wherein the green tea extract is dissolved in said mixture of the organic solvent and water and is then brought into contact with activated carbon and acid clay or activated clay.

[Claim 15]

The process according to claim 12 or 13, wherein the green tea extract is brought into contact with a dispersion of activated carbon and acid clay or activated clay in said mixture of the organic solvent and water.

(Claim 16) ~

The process according to claim 15, wherein the green tea extract is brought into contact with acid clay or activated clay and then with activated carbon.



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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your refund request for 10581200 in the amount of \$50.00 has been denied.

Claims 16 Proper via phone call on 06/08/07 to Scott Lohn.

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